

Executive
Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Louisiana Purchase Gardens and Zoo, Monroe, Louisiana, was named to perpetuate the historic importance of this purchase of the Louisiana Territory whose treaty was signed by United States President-to-be James Monroe on April 30, 1803; and,

WHEREAS, Monroe, Louisiana, was named after the signer of the treaty; and,

WHEREAS, The great State of South Dakota was included in the Louisiana Territory; and,

WHEREAS, South Dakota was admitted to the Union on November 2, 1889, as the 40th state, its capital is Pierre, and today it stands 16th in size and 40th in population; and,

WHEREAS, The State bird is the Ring-necked Pheasant and the State flower is the Pasqueflower; and,

WHEREAS, The State Flag pictures the blue South Dakota sky and the blazing sun that gave the State its nickname; the State Seal appears on the reverse side of the flag; on the seal, a smelter on a background of hills symbolizes the mining industry, the man with the horse drawn plow represents farming, the cattle stand for grazing and dairying, and the steamboat on the river stands for transportation; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Monroe is celebrating on April 30, 1981, the Tenth Anniversary of the formal dedication of the Louisiana Purchase Gardens and Zoo:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 30, 1981, as

LOUISIANA PURCHASE GARDENS AND ZOO DAY

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
set my hand and caused to be affixed
the Great Seal of the State of South
Dakota, In Pierre, the Capital City,
this Twenty-second Day of April, in
the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Eighty-One

~~William Janklow~~
WILLIAM JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alice Kundert
ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE